

Appl. No.: 10/689,372
Amdt. dated 10/04/07
Reply to Office Action of April 4, 2007

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for a thorough review of the above-referenced application and the indication that Claims 36, 39, and 41 - 43 are allowed.

Claims 1, 3, 5-16, 18, 20-33 and 35 are also pending in the application and have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 and 35 U.S.C. § 103. Applicant has cancelled pending Claims 1, 3, 5-16, 18, 20-33 and 35, without prejudice, and respectfully submits that the rejections in the Office Action are now moot. Accordingly, Applicant requests that the Examiner issue a notice of allowance for Claims 36, 39 and 41-43.

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It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), and any fee required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 13-4365.

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